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Amendment

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Offered by:
SEN. MAYNARD, 18th Dist.

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"AN ACT CONCERNING STANDARDS FOR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER CONTRACTS."

1 Strike section 6 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

2 "Sec. 6. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2012*) (a) No insurer, health care
3 center, fraternal benefit society, hospital service corporation, medical
4 service corporation or other entity delivering, issuing for delivery,
5 renewing, amending or continuing an individual dental plan in this
6 state shall include in any contract with a dentist licensed pursuant to
7 chapter 379 of the general statutes that is entered into, renewed or
8 amended on or after January 1, 2012, shall contain any provision that
9 requires such dentist to accept as payment an amount set by such
10 insurer, center, society, corporation or entity for services or procedures
11 provided to an insured or enrollee that are not covered benefits under
12 such insured's or enrollee's plan.

13 (b) A dentist shall not charge more for services or procedures that
14 are not covered benefits than such dentist's usual and customary rate
15 for such services or procedures.

16 (c) Each evidence of coverage for an individual dental plan shall
17 include the following statement:

18 "IMPORTANT: If you opt to receive dental services or procedures
19 that are not covered benefits under this plan, a participating dental
20 provider may charge you his or her usual and customary rate for such
21 services or procedures. Prior to providing you with dental services or
22 procedures that are not covered benefits, the dental provider should
23 provide you with a treatment plan that includes each anticipated
24 service or procedure to be provided and the estimated cost of each
25 such service or procedure. To fully understand your coverage, you
26 may wish to review your evidence of coverage document."

27 (d) Each dentist shall post, in a conspicuous place, a notice stating
28 that services or procedures that are not covered benefits under an
29 insurance policy or plan might not be offered at a discounted rate."